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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to and including May 17, 2002 for responding to the "Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures" mailed December 17, 2001. A response to the Notice to Comply accompanies this Petition.

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